TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1682

January 15, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a records custodian to: (1) cite the state law prohibiting disclosure of a public record if the denial of the public records request is based on a state law; and (2) allow a person making a public records request to inspect non-exempt records and receive copies of such records which contain the information sought. Clarifies the forms of identification a governmental entity may request as evidence of residency in this state from a person seeking public records.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503(a)(2)(B)(ii), a records custodian is required to deny public records requests in writing or by completing a records request response form developed by the Office of Open Records Counsel.
- Requiring a records custodian to include a citation to state law in the response, if the denial is based on a state law, will not result in any significant impact to state or local government.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-503(a)(7)(B)(i), a records custodian may require a requestor to pay the custodian's reasonable costs incurred in producing the requested material.
- Requiring a records custodian to allow a person making a request to inspect non-exempt records and receive copies of such records will not result in any significant impact to state or local government.
- Clarifying the forms of identification a governmental entity may request as evidence of residency in this state from a person seeking public records will not result in a fiscal impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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